

Application No.: 10/784,773
Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 dated November 22, 2004
Reply to the Office Action dated August 23, 2004

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2004. Claims 1-14 were previously canceled. By this Amendment, rejected claim 24 was also canceled. Therefore, only allowed claims 15 – 23 remain pending in the present application. Accordingly, the present application is now in condition for allowance and an early Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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